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TOPIC Military Information from Luckenwalde.

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REMARKS [REDACTED]

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- Between 8 and 19 May 1951, the restricted area on Gruenstrasse, Luckenwalde (N 53/Z 70), was entered almost exclusively by officers, of all ranks and branches of service. The officers had to show their passes to the sentries. The so-called Kriegsschule on Luckauer Strasse and the former municipal theater, which is also located in the restricted area, housed high-echelon headquarters. The Friedrich School on Parkstrasse was vacant. Activities in the restricted area had not changed.

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- The restricted area on Lindenallee, near the railroad station, contains the police court building and the Pestalozzi School. [REDACTED] the two buildings were used as a military prison because they were surrounded by a high fence, lighted at night, and heavily guarded. (2)

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- The restricted area on Grabenstrasse, 400 meters northeast of the railroad station, was occupied by a troop unit of soldiers who wore red-bordered black epaulets. [REDACTED]

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- The vocational school on Brandenburger Strasse, 500 meters north of the railroad station, was used as a hospital for Soviet military personnel. (3)

- The piano factory at the intersection of Kirchhofsweg and Neue Baruther Strasse probably housed a supply installation because many vehicles picked up ration supplies, medical equipment, and other items of supply there. From 30 to 35 soldiers, including 10 to 12 officers, were quartered in the piano factory. [REDACTED]

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- The Schuetzenhaus (riflemen's club house) on Willi Scholz Strasse, formerly Schuetzenstrasse, and two detached buildings on the other side of the street housed the Soviet military post headquarters. (2)

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- Stalags (PW base camps) I through III were occupied by troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. (4)

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8. The ammunition dump on the Luckenwalde-Frankenfoerde road was about 100 meters square and contained 3 or 4 wooden sheds, each 10 x 15 meters and surrounded by roof-level earth mounds. Sentries at the dump wore red-bordered black epaulets. (5)
9. Five AA guns, apparently 37-mm, were recently emplaced on the Luckenwalde-Gottow road. The gun crews were accommodated in earth shelters. (6)

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[] Comments.

- (1) The buildings in the restricted areas on Gruenstrasse and Grabenstrasse house the Hq Third Gds Mecz Army and army headquarters units. []

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- (2) The restricted area on Lindenallee is located on either side of the street, between Puschkin Strasse, formerly Karl Strasse, and Bahnhofstrasse. The military post headquarters is carried there. Schuetzenstrasse is situated in the northeastern sector of the town and runs parallel to the Berlin-bound railroad line. [] the Schuetzenhaus

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quartered a guard unit of 350 men in November 1950. []

The location of the Soviet Kommandantura has not been determined.

- (3) The vocational school is known to have been converted into a military hospital.
- (4) The stalags on the road to Frankenfoerde are occupied by army headquarters units and the staffs of the army artillery and tank instructors.
- (5) The ammunition dump is reported for the first time.
- (6) The AA gun emplacement was previously reported. []

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